



Seventy-eight New Mexico students receive scholarships From Los Alamos Employees' Scholarship Fund

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Next year's scholarship campaign begins May 18

LOS ALAMOS, N.M., April 21, 2015—Charlotte Flory of Questa High School, Chloe Keilers of Los Alamos High School and Alexander Ortiz of Santa Fe High School are recipients of the 2015 Los Alamos Employees' Scholarship Fund Gold scholarships. They are among the 78 students from seven Northern New Mexico counties receiving LAESF scholarships, which are funded through pledges from Los Alamos National Laboratory employees, and a matching amount from Los Alamos National Security, LLC.

"These scholarships are awarded to deserving students who excel in academic achievement, whose leadership potential is highlighted by his or her dedication to community service and extracurricular activities, and whose career goals reflect the future needs of our Laboratory and communities," said Steve Girrens, the Laboratory's associate director for Engineering Sciences and champion of the Laboratory's 2015 LAESF campaign.

The Gold scholarship provides \$5,000 a year in financial assistance for four years.

Five students will receive \$2,500 annual, four-year Silver scholarships: Mahalia Bohsali, Vista Grande High School; Isabel Chavez, St. Michael's High School; Eliza Harrison, Santa Fe Preparatory School; Katherine Schneider, V. Sue Cleveland High School; and Alexander Swart, Los Alamos High School.

Seven students will receive \$2,500 annual four-year Domenici scholarships named after former U.S. Senator Pete Domenici (R-N.M.): Esteban Abeyta and Alice Shao, Los Alamos High School; Erika Baca, Las Vegas Robertson High School; Roy Madrid, Taos High School; Onnica Pino, Mora High School; Shayline Stacy, Jemez Valley High School; and Raina Wellman, Academy for Technology and the Classics.

Three students received \$2,500 annual four-year Leadership scholarships: Erica Diaz and Erica Vigil, Espanola Valley High School; and Dawn Penso of Taos High School. And Francesca Gonzales of West Las Vegas High School received the Susan Herrera Scholarship, which also provides \$2,500 a year in financial assistance for four years. The scholarship is named after former LANL Foundation executive director Susan Herrera.

The full list of 2015 scholarship recipients is on the [LANL Foundation website](http://www.lanl.gov).

The Los Alamos Employees' Scholarship Fund encourages Los Alamos National Laboratory employees, retirees and subcontractor personnel to donate to a fund that awards college scholarships to Northern New Mexico students.

The Laboratory's 2015 scholarship drive begins May 18. Pledges to the fund will be used to award scholarships in 2016.

The Los Alamos Employees' Scholarship Fund program began in 1998 and is administered for the Laboratory by the Los Alamos National Laboratory Foundation. Since its inception, nearly 1,000 scholarships have been awarded, and Laboratory employees have donated more than \$5 million to the fund.

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